



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: John H. Burton et al.
Serial No.: 09/477,977
Filed: January 5, 2000
Title: **IMPLANTABLE DEVICE AND METHOD FOR ADJUSTABLY RESTRICTING A BODY LUMEN**

Examiner: R. Kearney
Group Art Unit: 3739
Docket No: 825.001US2

PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Office Action mailed July 15, 2005, said period of response being extended from October 15, 2005 to January 16, 2006 (Monday).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0743 in the amount of \$510.00 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully Submitted

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